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SUBJ: AMERICA WEEK CHRISTCHURCH

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- 1. AMERICAN WEEK HAS NOW BEEN SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTCHURCH 5-10 APRIL 1976. WE WOULD LIKE TO INCORPORATE CPP 8 AND 11 IN THIS EVENT. TO SUPPORT THIS ADEQUATELY, WE WILL NEED TWO SPEAKERS FROM USA FOR LECTURE-SEMINARS FOR AMERICA WEEK. ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING DURING WEEK WILL TAKE PLACE AT UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY. WOULD ALSO USE OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM THEM OTHER PARTS OF COUNTRY.
- 2. WE WOULD LIKE ONE PROMINENT PERSONALITY SUCH AS BILL MOYERS SPEAKING ON SUBJECT "AMERICA IN RETROSPECT AND IN PROSPECT," EXAMINING WHERE WE ARE AFTER 200 YEARS, AND WHERE WE MIGHT BE HEADED. PERSONALITIES LISTED IN CM-997 ARE ACADEMICALLY SUITABLE, BUT FEW HAVE WELL-KNOWN NAMES.
- 3. SINCE WE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE OUR CPP 8 IN AMERICA WEEK, UNCLASSIFIED

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WE REQUIRE SPEAKER ON CONCILLIATION AND ARBITRATION IN AMERICAN

LABOR NEGOTIATIONS.

- 4. POST WILL PAY USUAL INTERNAL TRAVEL, PER DIEM AND HONORARIAM. CAN ALSO PUT UP US\$300 EACH FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL.
- 5. MOUNT AND I ENVISAGE AGENCY RECRUITMENT OF SPEAKERS EXCLUSIVELY FOR AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND FOR PERHAPS TEN DAYS EACH. WE WOULD SHARE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, HOPEFULLY WITH AN ASSISTANCE FROM ICS. WE CAN PROGRAM ARTICULATE SPEAKERS IN TEN MAJOR CITIES IN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THIS MAY ELIMINATE EXHAUSTION SYNDROME THAT FREQUENTLY ACCOMPANIES SPEAKERS TO THE ANTIPODES AT END OF LONG ASIAN TRIP.
- 6. IF CANBERRA INTERESTED IN SPEAKERS ON ABOVE TWO SUBJECTS DURING APPROPRIATE TIME-FRAME, PERHAPS AGENCY CAN RECRUIT SPEAKER INSTEAD OF RELYING ON CHANCE VOLUNTEERS WHO MAY BE COMING THIS WAY.
- 7. URGE CAREFUL SCREENING OF THESE SPEAKERS FOR POLITICAL ACUITY AND EFFECTIVENESS. IF WE ACTIVELY RECRUIT, WE MAY HAVE A LITTLE MORE CONTROL OVER OUTPUT. SOME VOLSPKRS OF LATE HAVE BEEN MIXED BLESSING.
- 8. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY ADVICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SPEAKERS FOR AMERICA WEEK, KOCH

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